

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st December 1862.*

No. 3. Read the following letter from G. E. COWER, Esq., Acting Registrar of the Diocese of Madras, to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 15th November 1862:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to state, that an extract Proceedings of the Revenue Board, No. 6,155, together with Order of Government thereon, No. 2,078, dated 24th September 1862, has been brought under my notice unofficially, and from it I collect, that it is the desire of Government, that Certificates of Christian marriages, should be subjected to Stamp duty, to be paid by the parties requiring such Certificates.

2. This resolution seems in part to dispose of the reference made to Government in my letter of 15th July 1862, in which I have submitted an inquiry, as to whether all Certificates granted by the Registrar of the Diocese, are to be issued on Stamped paper.

3. Government having decided that Chaplains are hereafter to issue Marriage Certificates on Stamps, I conclude that the order on this subject will likewise apply to Certificates issuing from the Office of the Registrar, and it being ruled that Certificates of this nature are liable to the impost, I would respectfully submit, that there seems no sufficient reason why the practice should not be general in its application to all Certificates granted by the Clergy and the Registrar.

4. It is of importance that uniformity of practice should be observed in this respect, I have therefore the honor to solicit instructions on the subject for my own guidance as well as that of the Clergy of the Diocese.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, 1st December 1862, No. 2,512.

The Acting Registrar is informed that under Article 32 of Schedule A of Act X of 1862, "authenticated or certified" copies of registries of births, deaths and marriages must be on stamped paper of the value of 8 Annas per sheet. Unauthenticated copies may be on unstamped paper.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

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